

108TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 996

To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to ensure an adequate level of commodity purchases under the school lunch program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 6, 2003

Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. LEAHY, and Ms. STABENOW) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Commodity Distribu-
5 tion Act of 2003”.

6 **SEC. 2. COMMODITY PURCHASES UNDER SCHOOL LUNCH**
7 **PROGRAM.**

8 Section 6(e) of the Richard B. Russell National
9 School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1755(e)) is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1)—

2 (A) by striking “in the form of” and all
3 that follows through “(A) commodity assist-
4 ance” and inserting “in the form of commodity
5 assistance”;

6 (B) by striking “; or” and inserting a pe-
7 riod; and

8 (C) by striking subparagraph (B); and

9 (2) in paragraph (2)—

10 (A) by striking “the Secretary shall, to the
11 extent necessary,” and inserting “the Sec-
12 retary—

13 “(A) shall, to the extent necessary,”;

14 (B) by striking the period at the end and
15 inserting “; and”; and

16 (C) by adding at the end the following:

17 “(B) shall not use commodities provided under
18 the authority of any other Act to meet the require-
19 ment for the school year.”.

20 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

21 This Act and the amendments made by this Act take
22 effect on October 1, 2003.

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